Instrumentation, Controls and Intelligent Systems

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- Provide fundamental scientific and engineering research foundation needed to support long term primary INL mission needs.
- People
- Technical expertise
- Technology development
- Infrastructure



- R&D collaboration
 - National and Homeland Security (Craig Rieger)
 - Nuclear Programs (Bruce Hallbert)
 - Science and Technology (Derek Wadsworth)
- Coordination & Planning
 - Centers (CAMS Charles Tolle & CAES Leonard Bond)
 - Business Lines (co-leads)
 - other Signatures (Theory, Modeling & Simulation)
- Capabilities development
 - LDRD
 - GPCE
 - Strategic hires
 - University/Industrial relationships

Idaho National Laboratory

- Intelligent systems theory and algorithm development.
- Control theory and algorithm development.
- Advanced mathematical methods.
- Human factors research and HMI development.
- Sensor theory and hardware development.
- Data analysis and object/feature/event/target recognition theory and algorithm development.
- Next generation embedded hardware (e.g. fpga) and software development.
- Modeling and simulation of dynamic systems.
- Systems design, integration, and prototyping.
- Demonstration/field testing facilities.



Today

- Mechanistic and unintuitive controls
- Controllers that fail
- Sensors that must be validated and calibrated
- Robotic systems dependent on the human

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- Natural human interfaces to allow efficient interaction
- New class of robust, failsafe, secure controllers
- Advanced self-calibrating and self-validating sensors
- Synergistic and autonomous systems for unstructured environments
- On-line condition and process monitoring



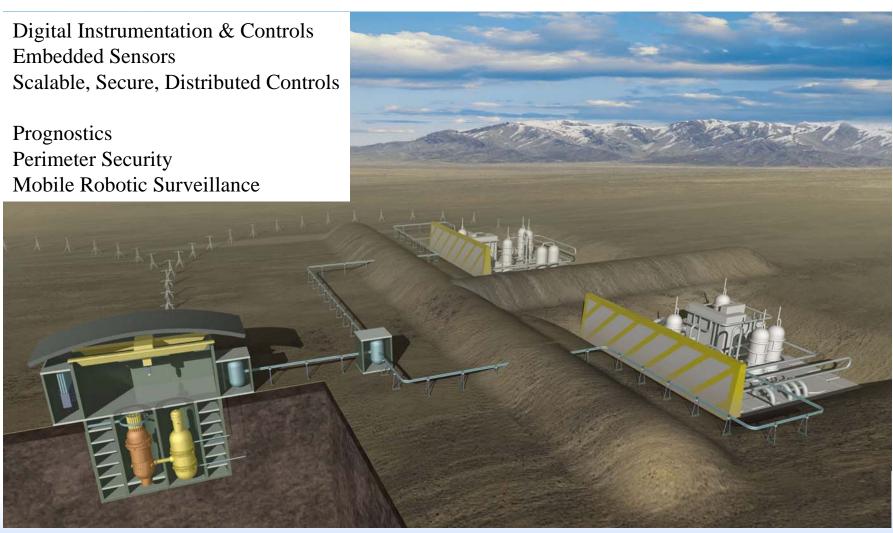
- LDRD portfolio
 - Next Generation Neutron Generator
 - In Situ Laser-Based Characterization of Fatigue Damage in High Temperature Environments
 - Multiple Sensor Array for Harsh Environments
 - Dynamic Autonomy for Mobile Manipulation
 - Joint System Prognostics for Increased Efficiency and Risk Mitigation in Advanced Reactor Instrumentation and Control



- Business targets
 - Next generation power reactors
 - Secure control systems & Contraband detection systems
 - Mobile robotics
 - Industrial & hot cell robotics



Next Generation Power Reactors





SECURE CONTROL SYSTEMS CONTRABAND DETECTION SENSORS AND PLATFORMS

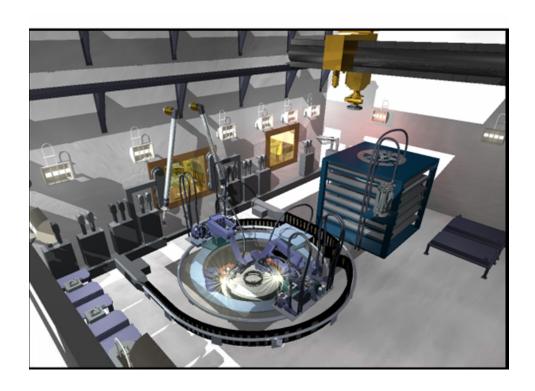


The National SCADA Test Bed (NSTB) applies a national testing environment to help secure SCADA communications and controls within the energy sector. It combines the expertise and resources of several national laboratories into a multi-lab partnership that helps to identify and correct critical security flaws in SCADA equipment and control systems.



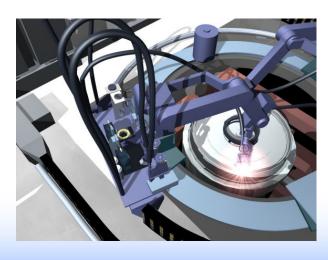


Industrial & Hot Cell Robotics



Cross-cutting technology team
(welding, inspection, robotics, hot cell & glove box design, operations)
National Spent Nuclear Fuels Program,
Yucca Mountain Program







- PEMP Milestones
 - By July 30, 2006 establish advisory committee
 - Internal members (15) are in place, need charter.
 - By July 30, 2006, establish an INL website.
 - By September 30, 2006, conduct and report on a workshop to better define near term (2-5 years) science objectives and research approaches.
 - By September 30, 2006, outline and report on near term (2-5 years) infrastructure needs (facilities, instrumentation, and equipment).



Other activities

- LDRD program
 - Project reviews
 - Portfolio review
 - Call
- Establish relationships with selected Centers, Business Lines and Signatures
- Identify dedicated computer (CAMS)
- GPCE needs
- Technical library coordination
- Congressional Support
- Symposium and/or Seminar Series
- Strategic hires
 - Curtis Nielsen, Ph.D. Computer Science Jerry Harbour,
 - Search committee Bruce Hallbert



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•Next generation digital control room – "glass cockpit"

•Dynamic plant models running in real time

